ews SOUTHPORT METHODIST CIRCUIT





Dear Friends

I always sense that once Remembrance Sunday has passed all eyes are focused on the "C" word (25th December!). So, before our eyes are distracted, I want to encourage as many of you who can make it to the Circuit Event at Ainsdale Methodist Church on Saturday 9th November. It takes place from 10am-1pm, and even if you cannot make it for the whole time, come for what you can.

As I wrote last month this is an opportunity for us to a) reflect on the Circuit Listening Events that took place across the individual churches of the Circuit earlier in the year, and b) begin to develop some firm proposals for Church Councils to consider in the Spring of 2025. These will focus around Youth Work, Worship, Governance and Property. This our opportunity as a Circuit to shape the future.

Having mentioned Remembrance Sunday, we are very much in a season of remembrance. Around All Saints Day (1st Nov) we remember our loved ones who have died. Around a week later we observe Remembrance Sunday, and all those who in combat lost their todays for our tomorrows.



These events are often the single most attended community events in a year within our neighbourhoods. The style and nature of such commemorations change over time as new



A group of 8 children and young people from Sunday@6 and 6 wonderful leaders from across the Circuit churches went to 3Generate at the NEC in Birmingham from 4th-6th October.

3Generate is the annual national gettogether of over 1,000 children and young people from all corners of the UK: a chance to tune into God, the world and each other, to hear what God is saying to them and to discern what action they need to take by themselves, with their local church and the wider Methodist Church

It was a fantastic, if not exhausting weekend! Clara Payne from Formby Methodist Church shares a bit of her



experience here:

My Experience

On Friday we arrived, had dinner and settled in. Then in the evening I went to a magic show. It finished at 11.00pm.

On Saturday, I had breakfast. At 8.00am I did the 'wake up and shake up' in the Arena. At 9am, in the Globe, I made soap. I also did the leap of faith. We had group time. There was a talk about ending Poverty—our group went to that. I went to a 360° film about the earth with Sophie. It was really fun as it explored the earth as the man explained. I watched the Lorax—there was a big screen and we had headphones to hear it.

On Sunday, we packed up in the morning and then I had a go at a smoothie bike—you pedalled and it turned the energy into electricity to make your smoothie. In the afternoon I had lunch, then there was a big worship with everyone before we left and a band called Moses and the Brothers played a song.

By Clara Payne

generations engage with them. In many ways we witnessed this in our town following the deaths of Bebe King, Elsie Dot Stancombe, and Alice Dasilva Aguiar, through displays of flowers and pink ribbons.

Through such displays we expressed to the families who grieve, and to each other, our love and support.

In our faith we have an Old Testament and New Testament; Jesus came with a new expression of God's love. It was not that God's love had change, rather God's unveiling of it was new to us. In the same way our grief and expression of love has not changed, although our expressions of this does change. May we be a church that holds dear to expressing God's love, albeit in new ways for new generations.

God bless

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Study Course
& Discussion
Digging Deeper

A Journey through the Psalms
at
10.30-11.30am
(Coffee from 10.00am)
Leyland Road Church Lounge
6th November 2024
Psalm 133
Speaker:
Archie Cameron
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At Leyland Road Methodist Church

on
Sunday 24th November
at 6.00pm
when we lift our thoughts,
prayers, our voices
and concerns
to God
in worship and fellowship
ALL WELCOME



OPEN INVITATION

we are offering
an open invitation
to everyone in the Circuit
to an event titled

"You spoke, we listened"
We will meet in the Hall
at
Ainsdale Methodist Church
on
Saturday 9th November

Saturday 9th November from 10am - 1.00pm.
Admission is free just bring your dreams!

CIRCUIT

EVENING SERVICE

at Leyland Road on 10th November at 6.30pm

A reflective service of an Armed Forces Experience of Remembrance Sunday







